

**House File 521 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to van-accessible persons with disabilities  
2 parking spaces and signs.  
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 321L.6, subsection 1, Code 2023, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 1. a. The persons with disabilities parking sign shall  
4 have a blue background and bear the international symbol of  
5 accessibility in white.

6 b. For an off-street public parking facility containing two  
7 or more persons with disabilities parking spaces, the entity  
8 that owns or leases the property shall display the words "Van  
9 Accessible Priority Parking" on van-accessible persons with  
10 disabilities parking signs.

11 c. If an entity ~~who~~ that owns or leases real property in a  
12 city is required to provide persons with disabilities parking  
13 spaces, the city shall provide, upon request, the signs for  
14 the entity at cost. If an entity ~~who~~ that owns or leases real  
15 property outside the corporate limits of a city is required to  
16 provide persons with disabilities parking spaces, the county  
17 in which the property is located shall provide the signs for  
18 the entity at cost upon request.

19 EXPLANATION

20 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with  
21 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

22 Under current law, persons with disabilities parking signs  
23 must have a blue background and bear the international symbol  
24 of accessibility in white. For an off-street public parking  
25 facility containing two or more persons with disabilities  
26 parking spaces, this bill requires the entity that owns or  
27 leases the property to display the words "Van Accessible  
28 Priority Parking" on the van-accessible persons with  
29 disabilities parking signs.

30 Pursuant to the federal Americans with Disabilities Act  
31 (ADA), van-accessible spaces are required to have two signs,  
32 mounted at least 60 inches above the ground with the first sign  
33 displaying the international symbol of accessibility and the  
34 second sign stating that the space is van accessible. The ADA  
35 requirements are not affected by the bill.